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1. FOREIGN MINISTRY AGREES TO PROPOSED PLAN FOR SECRETARY AND PARTY TO VISIT CARACAS ARRIVING MONDAY EVENING, MAY 14 AND DEPARTING TUESDAY EVENING, MAY 15.
2. FOREIGN MINISTRY AGREES WHOLE VISIT ON CONFIDENTIAL BASIS PENDING GENERAL ANNOUNCEMENT SOMETIME NEXT WEEK. IT ATTACHES CONSIDERABLE IMPORTANCE TO OUR COORDINATING TIMING OF SUCH ANNOUNCEMENT WITH GOV AND EMBASSY RECOMMENDS THAT WE RESPECT THEIR SENSITIVITIES IN THIS REGARD.
3. FOREIGN MINISTRY UNDERSTANDS THAT MRS. ROGERS, MRS. CASEY AND MRS. KUBISCH WILL BE ARRIVING AND INQUIRIES AS TO WHETHER ANY OTHER LADIES FOR WHOM PROGRAM APPROPRIATE INCLUDED IN PARTY.
4. IN INFORMALLY DISCUSSING VISIT, FOREIGN MINISTRY SPOKESMAN ANTICIPATED -- AND EMPHASIZED THIS WAS HIS OWN INFORMAL THINKING ONLY -- THAT PRESIDENT CALDERA OR FONMIN CALVANI WOULD PROBABLY OFFER LUNCHEON IN HONOR OF SECRETARY ROGERS. IN ADDITION TO THIS HE ENVISAGED CALLS UPON FONMIN AND PRESIDENT, POSSIBLE WREATH- LAYING  
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AT NATIONAL PANTHEON, AND ROUND- TABLE MEETING WITH  
SELECTED MINISTERS OF GOVERNMENT FOR SUBSTANTIVE DISCUSSIONS.  
EXPRESSED INTEREST IN KNOWING BEFOREHAND WHETHER WE  
ENVISAGE FIRM AGENDA OR ONLY GENERAL GUIDELINES FOR ANY  
SUCH SUBSTANTIVE DISCUSSIONS. ( IN SO DOING, HE EXPRESSED  
SOME PREFERENCE FOR GENERAL GUIDELINES.) FOREIGN OFFICE  
OFFICIAL ALSO INQUIRED WHETHER USG WOULD WANT JOINT  
COMMUNIQUE AT CONCLUSION OF VISIT. HE SAID THAT  
VENEZUELAN GOVERNMENT PRACTICE VARIES ON THIS POINT WITH  
SOME VISITS HAVING COMMUNIQUE AND OTHERS OMITTING IT.

5. IF MAJOR POLICY SPEECH IS MADE IN CARACAS, LUNCHEON  
OFFERED BY PRESIDENT OR FONMIN WOULD SEEM IDEAL FORUM  
TO BE USED FOR THIS PURPOSE. THIS WOULD OFFER ADDITIONAL  
ADVANTAGE OF REDUCING TRAVEL AROUND CARACAS BY COMBINING  
TWO MAJOR EVENTS IN SINGLE OCCASION. IF THIS NOT  
FEASIBLE, OR IF NO SUCH LUNCHEON GIVEN, NEXT BEST FORUM  
WOULD BE HALLS OF CONGRESS, ALTHOUGH IT IS NOT YET  
ENTIRELY CLEAR WHETHER SPEAKING APPEARANCE THERE IS  
RESERVED TO VISITING CHIEFS OF STATE. IF NEITHER OF THESE  
AVAILABLE, PRESTIGIOUS NORTH AMERICAN ASSOCIATION HERE  
WOULD BE PREPARED OFFER LARGE LUNCHEON IN BALLROOM OF  
A MAJOR HOTEL TO WHICH APPROPRIATE VENEZUELAN OFFICIALS  
WOULD BE INVITED, AND WHICH WOULD LEND SELF VERY WELL  
TO MAXIMUM MEDIA COVERAGE.

6. WE MENTIONED TO FOREIGN MINISTRY OFFICIAL POSSIBILITY  
OF PARTIAL SEPARATE SCHEDULE FOR UNDER SECRETARY CASEY,  
BUT HIS IMMEDIATE REACTION WAS THAT BREVITY OF VISIT,  
DESIRABILITY OF UNDER SECRETARY CASEY BEING PRESENT AT  
ALL MAJOR FUNCTIONS, AND LIKELIHOOD THAT ANY ROUND- TABLE  
WITH MINISTERS WOULD AUTOMATICALLY INCLUDE ECONOMIC  
MATTERS IN SUBSTANTIVE DISCUSSIONS, ALL MILITATED IN  
FAVOR OF HOLDING PRINCIPALS IN GROUP TOGETHER AND AGAINST  
ANY SEPARATE SCHEDULE.  
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